

# Fast Food Fax

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## Young Chickens Slaughtered under Federal Inspection, Classified by Weight, weekending: Dec 14, 2002

### FOOD SERVICE/

	<u>FAST FOOD</u>	<u>RETAIL</u>	<u>DEBONING</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Weight Range	4.20 & Down	4.21 – 5.25	5.26 & Up	---
Total (000)	18,360	17,535	36,372	72,267
Percentage	25%	24%	50%	99%

### Fast Food and Food Service Sizes

<u>Live Weight</u>	<u>RTC WOG Weight</u>	<u>No. of Head (000)</u>	<u>Percentage of Total Slaughter</u>
3.60 lbs. & Lighter	Under 2 lbs., 8 oz.	3,669	5.08
3.61 - 3.80 lbs.	2 lbs., 8 oz. - 2 lbs., 10 oz.	3,315	4.59
3.81 - 4.00 lbs.	2 lbs., 10 oz. - 2 lbs., 12 oz.	7,558	10.46
4.01 - 4.20 lbs.	2 lbs., 12 oz. - 2 lbs., 14 oz.	3,818	5.28
		18,360	25.41

Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. Demand ranged moderate to good. Offerings were in close balance to tight for current trade needs. In the parts complex, offerings of wings were in good balance and well cleared. Other items were generally sufficient for immediate needs. Weights were in a full range but mostly desirable.

## BROILER EGGS SET/CHICKS PLACED IN 19 STATES COMPARED WITH U.S. BROILER SLAUGHTER

Slaughter Week					Eggs Set 10 Weeks Previous		Chicks Placed 7 Weeks Previous		Prelim. Fed. Insp. Million head Slaughtered	
	(000)	% *	(000)	% *	(000)	% *	(000)	% *	(000)	% * *
Oct 26	181,194	97	156,659	94	206,116	99	167,236	100	158,649	102
Nov 02	191,008	97	154,802	97	204,809	99	166,904	100	155,193	98
Nov 09	198,763	97	151,059	98	203,975	100	165,368	100	155,647	100
Nov 16	198,081	96	147,324	98	204,036	103	164,755	103	154,140	99
Nov 23	199,513	97	154,558	97	191,825	99	156,653	100	149,717	97
Nov 30	200,843	95	161,040	97	189,766	95	153,824	95	115,454	77
Dec 07	200,727	98	161,965	97	191,826	95	155,300	95	151,980	132
Dec 14	203,843	98	162,745	98	193,026	94	156,550	94	154,894	102
Dec 21	200,669	96	163,911	96	192,103	98	155,109	97	152,854	99

Data in bold are subject to revision \*Percent of previous year \*\*Percent change from previous week

### Whole Broiler/Fryers (cents/lb.)

#### Week of 12/30/02

	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Previous Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>
New York Grade A Ice-packed	55.22	52.29	47.57
Chicago Grade A Ice-packed	52.46	48.49	48.36
Los Angeles Grade A Ice-packed	66.04	65.94	65.65
12-City Composite Weighted Avg.	58.22	57.12	55.66
Georgia Dock FOB Final Weighted Avg.	60.73	60.81	60.86
Southern States FOB Whole Body 5 day Avg. Index	39.92	39.49	40.65

### Broiler/Fryer Parts (cents/lb.)

#### Weekly Weighted Average

	<u>Northeast (Delivered) 12/27/02</u>	<u>Southern States (FOB) 12/27/02</u>	<u>Georgia (FOB) 12/30/02</u>
Breast - B/S	127.02	129.86	140.00
Tenderloins	110.25	124.54	165.00 (Line run)
Breast - Line Run	64.18	66.93	66.50 (Whole)
Leg Quarters	17.77	14.31	18.00
Wings	53.04	51.12	52.50